

Amendments to the Specification:

Replace the paragraph bridging pages 4 and 5 of the specification with the following paragraph:

--Figures 1 to 6 show schematic illustrations of the production and use of a tampon according to a first embodiment of the invention; and--

At page 1 replace the first line after the title with the following two lines:

~~Description:~~ Background of the Invention:

Field of the Invention:

At page 2, after the first full paragraph and before the paragraph starting with “U.S. Patent 6,312,419” insert the following line:

Description of the Related Art

At page 3, insert the following as a new line at the top of the page before the paragraph starting with “The tampon according to the invention comprises a”:

Brief Summary of the Invention

At page 3, after the second full paragraph and before the third paragraph starting with “The invention proposes two different preferred” insert the following as a new line:

Detailed Description of the Invention

At page 4, after line 32, insert the following line:

Brief Description of the Drawings